IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: D. Ward et al.

Serial No.: 09/335,956

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For: DELINEATION OF INDIVIDUAL HUMAN

CHROMOSOMES IN METAPHASE AND

INTERPHASE CELLS BY IN SITU SUPPRESSION

HYBRIDIZATION

Attorney Docket No: IGI-001CN3

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Group Art Unit: 1655

Examiner: Forman, B.

REQUEST FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Dear Sir:

Applicants request a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated June 1, 2000 (Paper No. 8).

Enclosed is a check which covers the appropriate fee of \$890.00 based on large entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231 on:

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Respectfully submitted,

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